

FOR: ESTABLISHING AND CLARIFYING THE STRUCTURE OF THE INDIANA STATE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY AND THE INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF FIRE AND BUILDING SERVICES.

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS:

**WHEREAS,** the Indiana General Assembly, in Indiana Code 10-14-3-7 and 10-14-2-1, established the Indiana State Emergency Management Agency, for the purpose of safeguarding the citizens of the State of Indiana from disasters or emergencies.

**WHEREAS,** the Indiana General Assembly, in Indiana Code 22-12-5-1, established the Indiana Department of Fire and Building Services, for the purposes of disseminating building, equipment and fire safety codes, and safeguarding the citizens of the State of Indiana from the dangers of unsafe buildings, unsafe equipment and fires.

**WHEREAS,** the Indiana General Assembly, in Indiana Code 10-14-3-7, authorized and provided for coordination of activities relating to disaster prevention, preparedness, response and recovery.

**WHEREAS,** the Indiana General Assembly, in Indiana Code 10-14-3-7, authorized and provided for protection of the public peace, health and safety, and to preserve the lives and property of the people of the State of Indiana.

**WHEREAS,** the Indiana State Emergency Management Agency and the Indiana Department of Fire and Building Services are public safety agencies that protect the public peace, health and safety, and preserve the lives and property of the people of the State of Indiana.

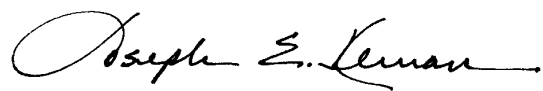
**WHEREAS,** coordination of these agencies' activities allows use of common support personnel, provides budgetary savings and promotes common solutions to common issues.

**WHEREAS,** it is appropriate and necessary to coordinate the leadership and activities of these public safety agencies.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Joseph E. Kernan,** Governor of the State of Indiana, pursuant to the powers vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State, do hereby order the following:

1. The Indiana State Emergency Management Agency and the Indiana Department of Fire and Building Services are hereby authorized to continue their mutual relationship under a common Executive Director.
2. The Indiana State Emergency Management Agency and the Indiana Department of Fire and Building Services are hereby authorized to continue the unification of their support functions, to the extent that this unification of support functions shall allow use of common support personnel, provide budgetary savings and promote common solutions to common issues which may confront the Indiana State Emergency Management Agency and the Indiana Department of Fire and Building Services.
3. This Order is effective as of September 13, 2003.

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, I, **Joseph E. Kernan**, have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Indiana on this 1st day of October, 2003.



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Joseph E. Kernan  
Governor of Indiana

ATTEST:     Todd Rokita  
                 Secretary of State